

Memorandum

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TO: Operations Committee DATE: March 5, 2010

FR: Executive Director W.I.: 1236

RE: Contract Amendment – Freeway Performance Initiative Traffic Analysis: PBS&J

Background

In March 2006, the Commission directed staff to develop a freeway strategic plan, called the Freeway Performance Initiative (FPI). In October 2006, MTC entered into the first set of competitively procured contracts to perform technical assessments of some of the major freeway corridors in the Bay Area. This work included the identification of major bottlenecks, determination of the causes of congestion problems, development of potential mitigation measures, and an assessment of their effectiveness. Working in collaboration with Caltrans and Bay Area Congestion Management Agencies, these recommendations became the initial proposals for the Transportation 2035 Plan. In May 2009, the Commission authorized contracts with two consulting firms to perform a second set of corridor studies. PBS&J is one of the two firms, and they were the lead for the SR 24 corridor study.

Proposed supplemental work

In January 2009, Caltrans and the Caldecott Fourth Bore Coalition (FBC) entered into a Settlement Agreement which mandates that Caltrans perform further study and analyze transportation management issues in and around State Route 24 in and near the Caldecott Tunnel. This study is to be performed in partnership with MTC, transit and transportation agencies, local governments, and community members, including the FBC, at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.

PBS&J has successfully performed all of the technical analysis for the FPI SR 24 corridor study. Caltrans, ACCMA, and CCTA were pleased with the final products, and have requested that PBS&J also perform the Settlement Agreement transportation management study in order to expedite the work and to avoid unnecessary duplication of effort. MTC will serve as the contract manager; Caltrans will continue to act as the study lead responsible for completing the study in accordance with the Settlement Agreement. CCTA is in the process of executing a funding agreement with MTC to transfer the RM2 funds back to MTC for this additional work to be performed by PBS&J.

Recommendation

Staff recommends that this Committee authorize the Executive Director or his designee to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with PBS&J to perform additional technical analysis relevant to the SR 24 FPI corridor study, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.

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REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Summary of Proposed Contract Amendment

Work Item No.: 1236

Contractor(s): PBS&J, San Francisco, CA

Work Project Title: Freeway Performance Initiative Traffic Analysis

Purpose of Project: Continue development of a strategic plan for the operations of

the Bay Area freeways, including a prioritized list of proposed

congestion mitigation projects.

Brief Scope of Work: Perform additional technical analysis relevant to the SR 24 FPI

corridor study.

Project Cost Not to Exceed: \$250,000 this amendment (\$400,000 current contract amount)

Funding Source: CCTA

Fiscal Impact: Project is included in current SAFE budget.

Motion by Committee: That the Executive Director or his designee is authorized to

negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with PBS&J to perform additional technical analysis relevant to the SR 24 FPI corridor study and the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside funds in the amount of \$250,000 for said amendment.

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Committee: Amy Rein Worth, Chair

Approved: Date: March 12, 2010